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PROMOTION OF HERBAL AND MEDICINAL PLANTS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the programmes being implemented by the Government for the promotion of herbal and medicinal plants;

(b) the names of the research institutions working for the purpose in the country;

(c) the percentage of production last year;

(d) whether the Government are running any training programme in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The following programmes are being implemented by the Government of India for the promotion of herbal and medicinal plants:

1. The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation in the Ministry of Agriculture is implementing aCentrally Sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture − Supplementation /Complementation of State Efforts through Work Plans. Under this scheme the state Governments can prioritise their activities as per the felt needs and requirement among various programmes including development of medicinal and aromatic plants.

2. The Department of Indian System of Medicine & Homoeopathy (DISMH) in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is implementing the following schemes:

(i) Central Scheme for development & cultivation of Medicinal Plants.

(ii) Central Scheme for development of Agro-techniques & cultivation of Medicinal Plants.

Besides, the DISMH have constituted a National Medicinal Plants Board for overseeing the development of medicinal plants, which is implementing various programmes for the development of medicinal plants.

(b): The names of the research institutions working for providing research support for the development of medicinal and aromatic plants is given in Annexure − I.

(c): No estimates are available about the production of herbal and medicinal plants during the last year.

(d) & (e): The Government is providing training to the farmers for cultivation of medicinal and aromatic plants under the Macro Management scheme. During the year 2001-02, 75 training programmes were organized and 5460 farmers were trained. Besides, the National Medicinal Plants Board has sanctioned23 projects for training officials/growers/collectors and other stake holders in the medicinal plants sector during 2001-02.

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LIST OF RESEARCH INSTITUTES ENGAGED IN DEVELOPMENT OF MEDICINAL AND AROMATIC PLANTS

(Para (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred question No.4062 for 16.12.2002))

A. Institutes under Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)

1. National Research Centre for Medicinal & Aromatic Plants, Anand, Gujarat

Under the All India Coordinated Research Project on Medicinal & Aromatic Plants under theICAR, research on medicinal plants are being carried out at the following research centres:

(i) National Bureau of Plant Genetic Resources, New Delhi

(ii) Gujarat Agricultural University, Anand (Gujarat).

(iii) C.C.S, Haryana Agricultural University, Hissar (Haryana).

(iv) Dr. Y.S. Parmar University of Horticulture & Forestry, Solan (HP).

(v) Indian Institute of Horticulture Research, Bangalore (Karnataka).

(vi) College of Agriculture, Jawahar Lal Nehru Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya (JNKVV), Indore (MP)

(vii) College of Agriculture, Jawahar Lal Nehru Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya, (JNKVV), Mandsaur (MP).

(viii) Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vishawvidyalaya, Aola, (Maharashtra).

(ix) Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture & Technology, Udaipur, (Rajasthan).

(x) N.D. University of Agriculture & Technology, Faizabad (UP).

(xi) Kerala Agricultural University, Vellanikara (Kerala).

B. Other Organisations

1 Central Institute of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants (CIMAP), Lucknow

2. National Botanical Research Institute (NBRI), Lucknow

3. Regional Research Laboratory (RRL), Jammu

4. Regional Research Laboratory, Bhubaneshwar

5. Regional Research Laboratory, Jorhat
6. Institute of Himalayan Bio-resource Technology (IHBT), Palampur

7 Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI), Mysore

8. National Chemical Laboratory (NCL), Pune and

9. Central Drug Research Laboratory (CDRI), Lucknow.
10. National Bureau on Plant Genetic Resources (NBPGR) New Delhi
11. Tropical Botanical Garden & Research Institute (TBGRI), Thiruvananthapuram.
12. G.B. Pant Institute of Himalayan Environment, Almora, Uttaranchal